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Kiwanis Speaker Tells Of Several War Time Rackets

San Diego Better Business Bureau Kept Busy

"War Time Rackets" evidently are keeping the San Diego "Better Business Bureau" busy these days, according to Charles Gurley, of the staff of the "bureau," who was the main speaker at the Kiwanis club meeting, held Tuesday evening at the Woman's clubhouse These rackets, he said, are aimed at war workers and other civilians as well as at the servicemen.

He told of what he called the "barber shop pirates" who, he said, charge servicemen exorbitant prices for barber shop services, some as high as $10 and $12, when legitimate barbers report that the maximum charge for all regular services in any such shop should not be more than $4.50.

"Wild cat" busses, he said, are getting to be a travel "racket." "We have reports of dozens of cases where passengers bound for Texas, for example, who are left stranded at El Centro and the driver returns to San Diego on one pretext or another to repeat the performance with other gullible auto passengers," he said. "Other 'rackets,' with which the 'bureau' is now concerned include the sale of imitation nylon hose and so-called 'French' perfumes at Tijuana overcharging by unscrupulous florists of servicemen purchasing flowers, sale of fake under-water farms in Florida, chain letter war stamps sales and sale of worthless gasoline formulas and gasoline 'adds'."

Gordon Schneider was program chairman, introducing the speaker. Clarence Swenson gave a brief talk on "Kiwanis Spirit," preceding the main address. Visitors included Sgt. Marion "Peanuts" Belt of Ocean Beach, a returned flyer from Europe, C. O. Carl of Ocean Beach, a one time charter member of the club and P. C. Colquhoun of Canada.

Next week's meeting will have Capt. Burritt S. Mills for speaker and Glen Jones for program chairman.

New Secretary Named

At the directors meeting, following the main session, Capt. Mills resigned as secretary and board member, account of soon leaving Ocean Beach. The directors chose Harry Masters to succeed him as secretary and named Rev. James Roberts to fill the vacancy on the board.

Spry As Girl 18 Describes Ocean Beach Lady Of 90

Weighing only 85 pounds and as spry as a girl of 18 is the description Joseph K. Timmons of 3676 Voltaire, Ocean Beach, gives of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Timmons of 4707 Del Monte, who attained the age of 90 today. She raised six boys and one girl, he said, four of whom are living. She has 17 grandchildren and several great grandchildren, he said. Her husband, Benson E. L. Timmons, now deceased, was for 42 years an active pastor of the Methodist church denomination in Georgia. Her son, Rev. W. C. Timmons, has been pastor of the New Britain, Conn. South church of 2500 members for 13 years. On her part, Mrs. Timmons, has been active in church work for 75 years the last 15 of which being with the Point Loma Methodist church of Ocean Beach. She is a leader in the Women's Society of Christian Service of this church. In her honor the Synergian circle of the W. S. C. S. will meet at 2 this (Friday) afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank R. Felt, 4460 Del Monte Ave.

STRAKE HURT WHEN AUTO CRASHES INTO TREE JAN. 6.

Fred R. Strake, 29, of 4661 Niagara Ave., suffered a possible fracture of his right leg and other lesser injuries when the car he was driving struck a tree on W. Point Loma Blvd. in Ocean Beach about 2:30 Saturday morning. He was taken to the County hospital for treatment.

Pointers Games To Be Played At Other Schools

All of this season's Victory league basketball games of Point Loma high school are to be played on the courts of the other schools, Coach William Maxwell reported Thursday. The outdoor courts at Point Loma High are in poor condition, he said, and there being no gymnasium, the schedule of league games will be played as follows:

Jan. 12, at 2:30 at Vocational School.
Jan. 19, 7:30 at Grossmont.
Feb. 2, 7:30 at Kearney, Linda Vista.
Feb. 6, 7:30 at Coronado.
Feb. 9, 7:30 at Hoover.
Feb. 13, 2:30 at Sweetwater.
Feb. 16, 7:30 at San Diego.

Two practice games also have been arranged to be played on Jan. 26. The squad will be divided for these two. One team will play St. Augustine here at Point Loma at 2:30 in the afternoon and the other will play a preliminary game at State College gym with the State B team at 7 p. m., announces Coach Maxwell.

CAPT. BURRITT S. MILLS PLANS TO RETURN TO HIS FORMER FOREIGN BUSINESS

Capt. Burritt S. Mills announced this week that he had resigned his position at the Lownes Variety Store in order to take a vacation and to prepare for resumption of the foreign business that he conducted previous to the war. He expects to leave Ocean Beach the forepart of next week and will first visit his son, B. Ridgely Mills, at Tulsa, Okla. He plans at least two months of rest and vacation and may take a trip to South America, he said this week.

He will then arrange for the re-opening of his former office in New Orleans and in Houston, Texas preparatory to resuming his former business of importing and exporting goods, a business which he carried on for about 10 years prior to the war. His plans call for the re-establishment of his headquarters in Paris when the war is over. Other European cities in which he plans to again have offices are Antwerp and Brussels in Belgium, Milan in Italy, Amsterdam in Holland, Prague in Czecho-Slovakia, and in London.

Mills has been unusually active in civic affairs. He was secretary and director of the Ocean Beach Kiwanis club, service officer of Clyde A. Wright Post of the American Legion, bomb reconnaisance agent of the San Diego Defense Corps, protective consultant for the National Citizens Defense Corps, member of the disaster committee of the American Red Cross. While here he also acted as chairman of the Red Cross war fund drive and of the Fifth War bond campaign.

CITY TO SPEND $42,000 FOR IMPROVING MISSION BEACH AMUSEMENT CENTER

San Diego city council this week voted to spend $25,000 in the improvement of the Mission Beach amusement center. Included is $13,650 for painting the principal buildings at the center and $3,139 for re-roofing the ball room. Contracts in those amounts were awarded at the council meeting Tuesday.

A total of about $42,000 is being spent by the city in putting the amusement center in condition for the new lessee, Larry Finley.

MERO'S BABY REPORTED ON ROAD TO RECOVERY

Mrs. H. L. Mero of 1093 Cape May Ave. is back from New York with her 18-months old baby girl, Buda Lys Mero. She and the baby were flown to New York through the generosity of fellow union employees of Mr. Mero's at Convair in order to provide the little girl with the surgical skill of a New York specialist in the removal of a tumor in one eye. The operation was successful in saving her life though she has lost the sight of her left eye. Her right eye is normal and she evidently is on the road to permanent recovery, reports Mrs. Mero. Convair saw to it that Mrs. Mero and baby were brought home from the east in a company plane.

Students Of Point Loma High School Elect Officers

Jay Timmons Will Head Associated Students

Point Loma high school students held their primary elections Friday, and made final decision on nearly all of the offices. Only offices for which run-off elections will be held today (Friday) are for commissioner of publications of the student body, in which the nominees are Jeanne Martin and Thelma Price; and for treasurer of the senior class, in which the nominees are Nancy Snapp and Roger Molloy.

Heading the Associated Student Body for the ensuing term will be Jay K. Timmons, commissioner of general affairs. Other offices for which the primary election made final decision were the following:

Commissioner of boys activities, Roger Poole; commissioner of interscholastic athletics, Bob Daly; commissioner of cultural affairs, Lela Gardner; commissioner of girls activities, Lyra Lou Crothers.

The senior class elected Malin Burnham president; Dorothy Shepherd, vice president; Ann Carmody, secretary.

Girls league officers named for the next term are as follows:

Lyra Lou Crothers, president; Jeanne Lupton, vice president; Beverly Lake, secretary; Ann Carroll, treasurer; and Natalie Harpst, court judge.

The Boys Federation officers elected are: Roger Poole, president; Wallace Rick, vice president; David Finster, secretary; and Gordon Thompson, treasurer.

Pointers Trounce La Jolla 22 to 13 On Latter's Court

Point Loma high school upset the dope Tuesday afternoon in trouncing the La Jolla high school basketball team on the latter's court by a score of 22 to 13. Jay Timmons, elongated center of the Pointers was high scorer, with seven points. Bill Hamlin, forward, scored five points; Medina, guard, counted six points; Stone, forward, two; Silva, guard, one; and St. John, a substitute, one point.

Lineup for La Jolla included Harper and Teagle, forwards; Pinnell, center; and Hoobler and Melas, guards.

This was the season's opening league game for Coach Wm. Maxwell's lads.

In other Victory league game Tuesday San Diego Hillers outclassed Kearny 31 to 11, Coronado overwhelmed Sweetwater 39 to 17 and Grossmont downed the San Diego Vocational school by a score of 36 to 21.

Defeat Sweetwater Also

The Pointers also took the measure of Sweetwater High in the season's opening game played on State college floor Friday, the count being 17 to 13. Scoring by the Pointers included Medina 7, Larson 5, Hamlin 3, and Silva and St. John each one point.

This year's Pointers include three lettermen from last year's team, being Jay Timmons, Bill Hamlin and Don St. John. The squad as a whole is unusually tall this season. Several are 6 foot 3 inches, including Ronald Young, Don Seeley, Jim Moran, Bob Scurlock and Don Hunter. Jay Timmons, Ralph Silva and Alan Blackwell are 6 foot 2 inches.

Other candidates for the team at Point Loma High include Wayne Kellio, Dan Larsen, Bill Stone, Joe Medina, George Ahlgren, Don Larsen and Francis Clayton.

AM. LEGION SPONSORS CAMPAIGN FOR CANES FOR WOUNDED SERVICEMEN

The American Legion is sponsoring a campaign for canes for the wounded servicemen, according to announcement made at the Kiwanis club meeting Tuesday evening by President Jerry Sullivan. All having canes to donate to this worthy cause can leave them at any Safeway store in the city, he said.

Coroner's Jury Blames Convair In Plane Crash

A coroner's jury summoned by Coroner Chester D. Gunn to inquire into the fatal plane crash in the Loma Portal section of the city Nov. 22, in which six civilian flyers lost their lives, Friday brought in a verdict blaming Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. for negligence in the case. The jury of 10 men and two women was out for 45 minutes. The jury's verdict read as follows:

"We, the jury, find that any criminal negligence would rest with the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. due to gross negligence and lax and haphazard methods of inspection. We further find there is no criminal responsibility on the part of any one particular person connected with construction of Plane 205."

Among those who testified at the hearing was Lloyd C. Stuckey of 4636 Long Branch Ave., Ocean Beach, one of the inspection supervisors at the plant. He was quoted as saying that every inspector was held responsible for his mark or stamp on work sheeets and that no one of these was authorized to allow any other person to use his stamp. "The system is considered inadequate," said Stuckey, "but the human element has a strong bearing on circumstances."

Convair Denies Charge

I. M. Laddon, Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. executive vice president, issued a statement "emphatically denying" that the corporation's methods of plane inspection are "negligent, lax or haphazard" as asserted in the inquest verdict.

Proof of the adequacy of our inspection system, the statement said, "is established by the fact that the accident on the test flight, Nov. 22, 1944, was the first in more than 9000 production planes inspected and flown from Lindberg field alone. Even the best systems based on multiple inspection will fall down if a series of inspectors all fail to perform their specific functions in a particular case."

Pasadena Doctor Becomes Partner Of Dr. J. Wilhoit

Dr. J. L. McSparran of Pasadena, who was here in November and had charge of Dr. John W. Wilhoit's medical practice while the latter was away on a trip to Colorado and the Northwest, has now become a partner. The new arrangement took effect the first of this month.

Dr. McSparran is a native of Virginia. He graduated from the University College of Medicine at Richmond, Va. in 1912 and for 25 years carried on the practice of his profession in Japan. After Pearl Harbor he became a Jap prisoner for several months, was released in 1942 and was able to return to this country on the Swedish exchange ship, Gripsholm, on its first voyage back to the United States.

Since returning to the States, Dr. McSparran had been in the U. S. Civil Service with the War Re-location Authority, in San Francisco and in Arkansas and Arizona.

Detroit Parts Maker Now Resident Here

James P. Long Jr., manufacturer of bomber parts, from Detroit, is now a resident of Ocean Beach. Since he is in the Navy and stationed at the Naval Repair Base here he and Mrs. Long have established residence at 4644 Brighton Ave. He joined the Navy last March and is now a machinist's mate, first class.

He also is in the limelight here as a purchaser of war bonds, having recently helped to put the Naval Base over the top with a $10,000 war bond purchase. This is in addition to $150,000 worth of the bonds which he and his brother, who is now in charge of their Detroit plant, has purchased.

In addition to investing his money, Long also has used his vocal talent to aid bond sales, singing at rallies at the base. His baritone was heard in night clubs and over the radio in the Detroit area for seven years. At one time he was vocalist with Bob Chester's orchestra.

C. of C. To Make Plans Tuesday For New Year's Work

Directors Appoint Harry Masters Secretary

Ocean Beach Chamber of Commerce has set Tuesday evening, Jan. 16, for the first meeting of the new year, President J. R. Lownes announced this week. For this session, he says, the plan will be to meet at 8:30 p. m. at the Woman's clubhouse, 2160 Bacon St. immediately following the regular meeting of the Kiwanis club next Tuesday evening.

Main purpose of the meeting will be to organize for the activities of 1945. Changes in the by-laws are planned, reports President Lownes. The time and place for meetings are to be decided, announcement of committees for the year is to be made and other plans for 1945 discussed.

The directors have appointed Harry Masters of the Newport Ave. Safeway store as secretary, succeeding Mrs. Charlotte Young, who served last year.

Kraft Presents New Bills Into Legislative Hopper

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Kraft left Friday for Sacramento, Calif. where Mr. Kraft will represent the 78th Assembly district. He is starting his second term in that capacity.

In addition to new bills he plans to introduce, as mentioned recently in The News, he is planning another bill which would allocate approximately $35,000,000 from the state sales tax for the biennium to the various counties, the counties to then re-allocate their respective shares of the amount thus collected to the incorporated cities.

In another bill introduced this week by Assemblyman Kraft and Assemblywoman Kathryn T. Niehouse, San Diego county municipal judges will receive a $1000 annual salary increase if the assembly passes it. These judges now receive $6000.

Mrs Niehouse also introduced a bill which wocld continue old age pensions at a maximum of $50 a month. The U. S. government contributes $20 of the $50, the state pays five-sixths of the remainder—$25—and the county pays the remaining one-sixth, $5. The $50 maximum has been in effect two years.

Changes In Ocean Beach Bus Routing At Plaza Proposed

Ocean Beach busses are included in a proposed re-routing and new terminal arrangement at the Plaza down town, outlined by J. E. Reading, city traffic engineer, with the approval of City Manager Fred A. Rhoades, the idea being to prevent accidents near the Plaza. The traffic engineer points out that most of the recent accidents there involving pedestrians and busses have occurred when the busses were making right angle turns.

Ocean Beach busses, according to the proposed plan, would leave Broadway at Fourth Ave., travel up E. St. to Fourth Ave. and from Fourth Ave. would turn into Plaza St..

Reading proposed additional bus terminals on the north side of Broadway between Second and Third, Aves., the north side of Plaza St. between Third and Fourth Aves., the south side of E. St. between Fourth and Fifth Aves. and the south side of C. St. between Third and Fourth Aves.

LELAND PLAISTED JR. NOW FULLY CONSCIOUS AND WANTING TO COME HOME

Leland Plaisted Jr. is now fully conscious and on the road to recovery from his close shave with death when he fell off a cliff at the foot of Pescadero Ave. Dec. 28, The News was informed this week. All Leland wants now is to get back home, he told his father, Leland Plaisted Sr., fireman engineer at the Ocean Beach fire station.

Carl Schroder Files For City Councilman

SERIAL STORY IN THE NEWS, BASIS FOR NEW WARNER BROS PICTURE, "GOD IS MY CO-PILOT"

The serial story, "God Is My Co-Pilot," now being run serially each week in the Ocean Beach News, is the basis for Warner Bros. new picture by the same name. Col. Robert Lee Scott, author of the story, is technical adviser for the production and Dennis Morgan is the leading star. Colonel Scott spent many months as commander of General Chennault's 23rd fighter group.

Vernon Walton Gets Purple Heart For Wounds In Action

Award of the Purple Heart medal has been made to Vernon C. Walton for having been wounded in action on December 14 in the European theatre of the war, where he has been on duty with the army for 17 months. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Walton of 4653 Newport Ave. Private Walton before entering the service had attended Point Loma high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton have two other sons in the service. Sgt. Roy D. Walton, recently returned to the States after serving for approximately four years in the Pacific theatre of the war. Their other son, Pvt. A. J. Walton Jr. is stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif.

MOTHER OF MRS. ETTA MAY PASSES 100-YEAR MARK BEFORE DEATH ON FRIDAY

Mrs. Christina Corbin, mother of Mrs. Etta May of 5023 W. Point Loma Blvd., passed the 100-year mark by three months and 15 day before her death on Friday. Her funeral was held Saturday at El Cajon, and the pastor read verses in Mrs. Corbin's old Bible that she had marked. The Bible was one that Mrs. Corbin had used when crossing the plains in the early days of the west. She was a native of Norway and came to San Diego in 1935 from Montana. Besides Mrs. May, she leaves two grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

IN THE SERVICE -

News from our local boys in service as well as letters or excerpts of letters will be gladly published in this newspaper. Please bring them in for many service men receive the Ocean Beach News by mail weekly and are glad to hear of friends in the Armed forces

Calvin Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Johnston, 4477 Muir Ave., has been transferred from Gulfport, Miss. to the Destroyer Base in San Diego for Diesel engine training.

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Pfc. Robert R. Whitmore, son of R. E. Whitmore o 2239 Seaside St., is now in aerial gunnery training with the Third Air Force at the bomber base at Gulfport, Miss. He expects to be assigned to duty as a tail gunner on a Flying Fortress. His wife and two children live at 884 Sapphire Street.

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The Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and the Gold Star have been awarded to Lieut. Robert H. Davis of 2322 Evergreen St., Point Loma, according to news received this week from the Navy department. He is a member of a top-ranking, carrier-based Navy fighter squadron on duty in the Pacific. The Gold Star was in lieu of a second Distinguished Flying Cross.

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Robert Estes, gunner's mate 2/c, writes his mother, Mrs. Robert Horne, 4704 Del Monte Ave., that he had been made an instructor on Treasure Island, near San Francisco, and will be located

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Three Candidates In Race For City Council

Carl Schroder of 4844 W. Point Loma Blvd., Ocean Beach Wednesday filed a petition at the city hall, throwing his hat in the ring for city coulcilman at the coming city primary election of March 13 and the city general election of April 17. He is seeking the seat on the council from district number one, the position now held by G. C. Crary of La Jolla. The latter this week announced that he would not be a candidate, stating that his laundry business in La Jolla would require all his time.

Schroder indicated Wednesday that he would push his candidacy and that a hot race is in prospect, there being two other candidates in the field for the same seat on the council. They are Semon T. Johnson of 1861 Montecito Way and Alton H. Putnam of 4341 Sierra Vista St., both in the Mission Hills district of the city.

The district number one covers all of Ocean Beach, Point Loma, Pacific Beach, Mission Beach, Linda Vista and part of the Presidio Hills section.

Schroder has a long record of activity in public affairs in this city. He was president of the Ocean Beach Chamber of Commerce for five years, president of Highway 80 Chamber of Commerce, president of the Mission Bay Chamber of Commerce, director of the Old San Diego Chamber of Commerce, director of the San Diego Fish & Game association, member of the committees of the San Diego Chamber of Commerce on recreation, on highways and on Baja, Calif. and is a member of the San Diego County Highway Development association. He was organizer of the Five Cs Chamber of Commerce and its president for three years, also its parliamentarian the past two years and reelected for next year. He worked hard for the construction of a 2200-foot fishing pier out from the foot of Del Monte Ave., which improvement was stopped by the war.

Schroder has lived in San Diego for 58 years, the last 25 years as a resident of Ocean Beach. He also has been active for 10 years in the development of the Mission Bay area.

He is an expert rifle shot, having been a member of the California state rifle team at five different national rifle matches staged at Camp Perry, Ohio.

Los Angeles Bishop To Make Annual Church Visit Here

The annual "Visitation" of the Bishop of Los Angeles to Ocean Beach is always looked upon as a great event, says Father Philip Harris. The Mission church of Trinity will greet the bishop of Los Angeles, the "Right Reverend" W. Bertrand Stevens, this Sunday, Jan. 14.

This year marks the 50th year of the Diocese of Los Angeles and the 25th year of the bishop's consecration. In this jubilee year, the bishop will visit Trinity church this next Sunday morning to administer the "Sacrament of Holy Confirmation" and as chief shepherd to celebrate the Holy Eucharist." The people of Trinity are doubly thankful, in that "his grace" will be present in the evening for the annual "Mission" service, to begin at 6 o'clock with dinner, followed by a short program given by the Young People's league, after which the meeting will take place.

All are welcome in the morning and also in the evening.

A. G. BRUCE, AUCTIONEER, SUFFERS BROKEN LEG IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

A. G. Bruce of 4930 W. Point Loma Blvd. Ocean Beach auctioneer, is in Mercy hospital with a compound fracture of his left leg, suffered in an automobile accident at 2:30 p. m. Jan. 4 at California and F Sts. in town.

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IT'S PATRIOTIC TO BE CAREFUL

Almost a million people suffered death or injury from traffic accidents last year, acrding to a compilation by the Safety Department of the National Automobile club. The civilian casualty list for one year is larger than the combined casualties incurred by all branches of the armed forces since the start of the war!

Traffic experts say that 75 percent of all accidents are the result of carelessness. On that premise, they conclude that 73,125 persons killed last year would be alive today had they exercised care instead of carelessness.

These grimly eloquent figures definitely establish traffic accidents as America's Public Enemy No. 1, particularly at this time when all available medical facilities and personnel are critically needed to care for the war wounded.

Every person hurt today in accidents is infringing on services needed by men who are shedding their blood for liberty and freedom. Like all bad habits, traffic carelessness can be cured. Public Enemy No. 1 can be routed if everyone of us remembers that it's patriotic to be careful.

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ANOTHER STEP UPWARD

As of January 1, 1945, the California Taxpayer's Association estimates the state's population at 8,842,700. This is a gain of more than 1,900,000 over the 1940 census of 6,907,387.

There seems little doubt that California now holds undisputed claim to the number three spot among the states of the Nation, with only New York and Pennsylvania still leading us. At the present pace, however, we should challenge Pennsylvania within the next few years.

But California is nearing the top not only in the realm of population but in business and finance as well. Year-end bank statements reveal that Bank of America, which serves the entire State is now the world's second largest bank with resources of almost $4,600,000,000.

These figures substantially reflect the financial position of the people of California since about three million of them are depositors, and it is they who have made possible the enormous growth of the bank. More than $1,500,000,000 are on deposit in savings alone, and demand deposits exceed $2,700,000,000. Total deposits increased more than $842,000,000 in 1944.

With this vast reservoir of money to back up the business, industry and agriculture of the state, California can look ahead to still greater growth and development.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Earl K. Yost, 2087 Bacon, son, Dec. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. James H. Fruling, 5032 Cape May, son, Dec. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Lancey, 4366 Saratoga Ave., a son, Dec. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sherman John Rogers, 4563 Trivoli, daughter Dec. 22.

To Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Donald Newton Taylor, 4524 Osprey, daughter, Dec. 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Glenn Allen, 3734 Midway Dr., daughter, Dec. 25.

New Year Resolutions

I'M STAYING ON MY WAR JOB UNTIL THE WAR IS WON
HAVE YOU MADE ANY NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS?
I'M GOING TO WRITE MY BOY AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK FOR THE DURATION
I'M BUYING MORE WAR BONDS AND HOLDING 'EM UNTIL THEY MATURE
WE'RE RESOLVED TO GET THIS JOB OVER THIS YEAR

GOD IS MY CO-PILOT

By COL. ROBERT L. SCOTT

WNU Features.

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I: Scott's early experiences with gliders and airplanes. He goes to Ft. McPherson and enlists in the regular army as a private.

CHAPTER II: Scott wins the West Point competitive exam and gets a furlough before reporting. He is graduated as a second lieutenant of infantry, and goes to Europe, which he tours on a motorcycle. He sells his motorcycle and arrives at Randolph Field, Texas.

CHAPTER III: Scott makes his first solo flight. Drives 1,300 miles to Georgia over every week-end to see his girl. Scott is now graduated from Kelly Field and has wings pinned on his chest. Ordered to report to Hawaii but wanting to get married he lays his plight before the General and is ordered to report at Mitchel Field, N. Y., instead.

CHAPTER IV: En route to New York Scott is stopped by police who mistake him for a bandit. He carries the mail for Uncle Sam in order to gain more flying time, and gets married.

CHAPTER V: The war edges closer and he is farther than ever from combat duty. He has been told he is too old for combat flying, and after December 7, 1941, he begins writing Generals all over the country for a chance to fly a fighter plane.

make in one day.

We got the big ship serviced and ready for the trip, then went to the Ferry Command Hotel. There we found two more crews of our thirteen heavy bombers. One group of these had turned back the night before with one engine out. The other, piloted by Col. Gerry Mason, had nearly come to grief on the way in from Belem. The rubber life-rafts in the Forts are carried in two compartments where the wing of the B-17 joins the big fuselage. This is to facilitate their automatic release upon contact with the water should the ship have to land at sea. They are of course tied to the airplane with strong manila rope, and it is on this hemp that the present tale hangs. In the flight down the coast some malfunction had caused one of these compartments to spring open—and out came the heavy, five-man boat. At the speed of two hundred miles an hour with which it struck the tail section as it went back on its rope in the slipstream of two engines, it nearly took the entire horizontal stabilizer off. Only by very skillful piloting had Gerry Mason managed to get the Fort and his crew of ten to Natal.

Just the same, in my attempted nap that afternoon, I grinned at the thought that we in old "Hades Ab Altar" were passing ahead of two more ships of the flight. Boy, I dreamed, they'll have a hell of a job getting me back there into the training center now! It's four thousand miles back to Florida and in the morning I'll be across the Atlantic.

We climbed out of the Fortress and stepped upon Africa at 11:05 G.M.T. Our crossing from Natal had been made in thirteen hours. Leaving the natives at work under Royal Air Force bosses, we hurried on to Operations, where we arranged for clearance down the coast. Then we were led into a thatch-roofed dining hall for good hot food. If I hadn't been so hungry and tired from the extra tension I had been subjected to, I think I'd have "gawked" at those wild-looking tribesmen who were serving us. In one night we'd left the hotels of South America, and here we were, having our plates brought by jet-black bush Negroes with rings in their ears and noses, jabbering away in a West Coast dialect. To them we were "Bwana," the food was "chop," and dessert was "sweet."

CHAPTER VII

Maybe the meal was really good—I've forgotten. But later we were to have some meals which were definitely on the rugged side. Some time just try a breakfast at three a. m. composed of warmed-over, mouldy, then re-warmed toast, with slightly sour canned tomatoes. After this year and more, I can close my eyes and see Col. C. V. Haynes sitting there looking at that delicacy—thinking, no doubt, about Carolina country ham, with brown gravy making a little puddle in the grits.

Well fed but on the tired side, we left the base at 13:35, for our next destination farther down the coast. For more than two hundred miles we were over friendly territory as we hugged the beaches, but later, along the Ivory Coast, we had to fly out to sea to avoid the prying eyes that were Vichy French. I must have sworn deeply that afternoon, for in my diary I note now that I wrote this line: "Damn, we have to dodge those b—— all the time."

We passed a fighter base at 17:00 G.M.T., and one hour later we landed at another West Coast base. The sun was setting back to the West in the Atlantic—towards home. Easter Sunday was fast coming to a close. I remembered then, from "hearsay evidence," that I had been born exactly thirty-four years before. From personal experience I would be able to recall this Easter as a memorable one.

Back through a great part of my hectic life, I had been the "time-hog" when it came to chiselling airplanes from every station in the U.S.A. I had often stated that I never had, and never would have, enough flying time. Right now, the way my head and eyes ached and the way my body fairly yearned for a place to stretch out, I almost resolved to eat those statements of the past. For during the last twenty-eight hours we had been in the air, for twenty-five of them under terrific tension. In that one day we had not only been lost in the South Atlantic, but we had covered nearly four thousand miles, from Belem to Natal to our stop near Fisher's Lake, and on to destination. I remember looking over at Doug and saying rather sadly that for once in my life I had had enough flying for one day.

As we rode out to our billets in a British lorry with a barefoot bush-boy chauffeur, I contemplated the completed trip. I firmly believe that had I been a confirmed ground soldier, wholly unconverted to air power, I would have realized that the airplane had grown up and was definitely here to stay.

Next day, while the crew worked on the tired airplane, some of us drove into the bush country. With a guide we made about a ten-hour trip into the interior, to Togoland. Entering a typical dirty village we heard jazz music and picked our way towards the source. I imagine all of us were expecting to find a radio or a victrola; instead we found that we were really in the land that had "birthed" jazz. Grouped about an earthen crock of palm wine was the population of the village, and the more they dipped the gourd cups into the stagnant-looking liquor, the hotter the music became and the more the sweating black bodies swayed to the beat of the drums. Their bare feet were moving to the rhythm in the dust, and their naturally musical voices, added to the syncopated rumble that came from black hands thumping many kinds of drums, made us wonder whether some orchestra like Cab Calloway's hadn't come to Africa with us on a USO project.

On April 7 we left the Gold Coast for Kano, in Nigeria. Off at 08:00 G.M.T., we flew a course of 90 degrees to miss more of Vichy France. Over Lagos, in the clammy heat of the equatorial jungle, we turned into the continent to a course of 58 degrees and continued over very thick country until we crossed the Niger. From there on East, the land that was Africa seemed to dry up, and my boyhood conception of how the Dark Continent should look faded away. Instead of constant jungle we now saw dry desert, like the lower hump of Brazil near Natal, or places in our own West.

We landed at the old walled city of Kano that afternoon. Our next take-off, for Khartoum, would best be made at nightfall, in order that we might land in the Sudan early in the morning before the dust storms had impaired the visibility. To waste time we walked into town to see the ancient city of Biblical days. Soon we found ourselves dodging camels, lepers, and Ali Baba—with his more than forty thieves.

None of us ever determined whether or not this Ali Baba was a descendant of the Arabian Nights original. But we did learn of a great decision that he had lost in a financial battle with some ferry pilots from the AVG. These men were members of the famous First American Volunteer Group under General Chennault, who were fighting the Japs in Burma.

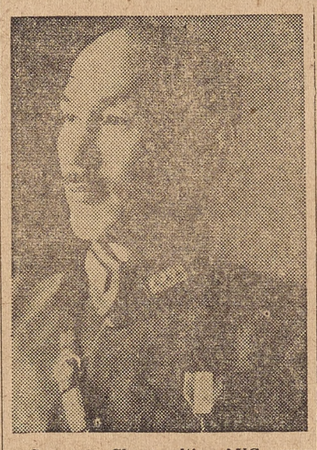
General Chennault's AVG was composed of three squadrons, functioning under the supreme command of China's Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. About seventy pilots and three hundred ground crew personnel made up this organization, which for nearly four months had been in combat against the Japanese Air Force from Rangoon up to Lashio, Burma. These American boys had come from the air services of the American Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

The General was an old pilot, and through many years of single-seater flying in the noise of open cockpits had become moderately deaf, a circumstance that had helped to bring about his retirement. Knowing that war with Japan was more than probable, after his retirement he had gone to China, and there he had not only persuaded the Generalissimo to build the air-warning net within China, but had worked to train China's Air Force as well. Growing out of this, when the brave Chinese Air Force was virtually destroyed by the overwhelming odds of the Japanese juggernaut, Chennault had long cherished a volunteer force of American airmen, flying American equipment in China against the Jap.

The purpose was fourfold: to test American equipment, to train a nucleus of American pilots in actual combat, to furnish air support for the Chinese land forces, and to fight a delaying action against the Japanese until the Chinese armies could be equipped with modern sinews of war for offensive action against the stranglehold of Japan.

Finally, in the late summer of 1941, the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps permitted a few reserve officer pilots to resign their commissions and accept jobs as instructors with Central Aircraft Manufacturing Company, or Camco, as it was called. These seventy-odd pilots and some three hundred ground-crewmen proceeded in small numbers on ships of various nations—Dutch, British, Indian, American, and some unregistered—West from San Francisco to Java, then Singapore, and thence to Rangoon, Burma.

These "instructors" for Camco were carried on the passenger lists as acrobats, doctors, lawyers, and probably even Indian chiefs. I imagine that after they made their great record—with never more than fifty-



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five airplanes they shot down two hundred and eighty-six Japanese planes, losing only eight in combat—the complaining Japanese would have been disposed to add the remainder of the nursery rhyme, "Rich man, poor man, beggar-man, thief."

Many times I had heard Radio Tokyo complain of the "cruelty" of these American guerrilla pilots Under General Chennault's clever leadership and tactical genius they had virtually driven the Imperial Japanese Air Force from the skies of Burma, and held the Burma Road for months after it should have fallen. Against odds of more than twenty to one, they had "saved face" for America and the white race, in this battle against a much-belittled enemy.

Continued Next Week

Christian Science Subject is "Sacrament"

This declaration of Jesus from John's Gospel will be the Golden Text of the Sunday Lesson-Sermon on "Sacrament" in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston: "The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him."

According to Luke, Jesus gave his twelve disciples "power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. . . . And they departed, . . . preaching the gospel, and healing every where." "When they were returned," the account continues "he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place . . . And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing."

Mary Baker Eddy writes in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures:" "It is possible,—yea, it is the duty and privilege of every child, man, and woman,—to follow in some degree the example of the Master by the demonstration of Truth and Life, of health and holiness."

Daphne Moffatt of 1470 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. arrived home Wednesday from a Christmas and New Year's holiday visit with relatives and friends in North Dakita. She made this trip by car with her uncle and aunt from Los Angeles.

IN THE SERVICE-

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there for some time. He was home recently on a 26-day leave for a holidays visit with Mr. and Mrs. Horne and reported back for duty at Treasure Island the first of this month. He has been out on sea duty several times.

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WAVE Alice C. Munchiando left Monday for Shoemaker, Calif. where she will receive advanced training for overseas duty. She had been in Ocean Beach visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Munchiando, 4681 Green St. Her friend, WAVE LaReva Isham, M. A. M., of San Francisco, had accompanied her here for a visit on the New Year's holiday. Mrs. Munchiando had spent the previous week in San Francisco visiting her daughter there.

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Lieut. Hughes Hill is home with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. Chas. A. Hill of 3130 Udal St. His 30-day furlough came following his recent graduation from the infantry officers training school at Fort Benning, Ga. Previously he had been commissioned from the ranks at Camp Davis, N. C. in October 1943. His duty is now as an instructor in heavy weapons at Camp Blanding, Fla. Lieut. Hill is a graduate of Point Loma high school and also attended State college and U. C. L. A.

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Dale J. Jacoby, aviation machinist's mate second class, who has been on duty with the Navy in the Pacific, is expected home here, at 5076 Niagara Ave. the forepart of next week, to visit his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bertram, 4894 Niagara Ave., and to there see for the first time his 18 months old daughter, Gayleann. Mrs. Jacoby, who before her marriage was Eleanorann Bertram of Ocean Beach, is now in San Francisco to meet her husband and will return home with him to Ocean Beach.

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Mrs. A. J. Bertram, 4894 Niagaga Ave.. reports that her nephew Pvt. 1/c Pete G. Bertram, is now in the thick of the fighting on the western front in Europe. He has been overseas for about 1½ years. Before going into the service, he was employed for a time by what is now the Ocean Beach Hardware store on Bacon St. Mrs. Bertram's husband is C. H. Bos'n A. J. Bertram, now stationed at the San Diego Naval Repair Base. He returned just before Christmas from two years of duty with the Navy overseas, during most of which period he was stationed at Honolulu. Their son, A. E. Bertram, also is in the Navy, and is now stationed at the Atlantic City, N. J. Naval Air Base.

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Pvt. Daniel Robinson, whose wife Cutler lives at 4656 Narragansett Ave., is an army motor mechanic who is a member of the 339th "Polar Bear" regiment which recently shattered the vitals of the vaunted Gothic line in Italy, taking peaks as high as 3400 feet east of Highway 65 and Futa Pass. The 339th landed in Italy last March 15 after a training period in North Africa and was the first unit of the 85th Division in the line when it was committed to action the following day. The "Polar Bears" got their name when they fought in waist deep snow along the 400-mile front between Archangel and Leningrad in Russia in the first World war. They battled on five months after the Armistice had ended the war in Europe.

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Point Loma High School Ties For Top Place Rating

L. L. Bloomenshine, principal, has just received word from the assistant director of relations with high schools, University of California, Berkeley, that Point Loma high school tied with Stockton high school, Stockton, California, for first place on the list of high schools receiving an award in the manner of a certificate for scholarship achievement of outstanding work done by those Point Loma graduates who were freshmen at Berkeley during 1942-43. The awards are made in several divisions according to the size of high schools and Point Loma fell in division two. The estimate of grade averages is reached through combined grade points on those freshmen representing the high schools. Point Loma high school is proud of those students who earned such an honor for their alma mater.

Boys Present Program

Merlyn Broiles, commissioner of boys' activities at Point Loma high school presented the semi-annual boys' federation assembly program, Thursday, January 11. Merlyn as master of ceremonies introduced the following numbers which proved highly entertaining to the student-audience:

Piano duet, Bill Foran and Don Macbeth.

Cowboy songs, George Larrabee and Dick Dowler.

Radio impersonation, Dick Entringer.

Magician act, Jim Pearson and Leslie Hanna.

The Boys' Federation is to be congratulated on presenting a program this year which varied from those previously given.

Captured Enemy Aerial Equipment To Be Exhibited

Largest display of captured enemy aerial equipment ever presented, the Army Air Forces' "Shot from the Sky" exhibit will open a three-day appearance on grounds just north of San Diego's Civic center this Friday, January 12, Lt. Edward M. Cogswell, officer in charge of arrangements, announced today.

Designed to show Americans the high quality of Axis fighting equipment and enable them to compare enemy production with our own, "Shot from the Sky" will have a three-fold mission in San Diego; encourage industrial workers to stay on their war jobs, boost salary savings war bond sales and promote WAC recruiting in this area.

The three acre exhibit, which is entirely free to the public, is sponsored by the San Diego Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the local national war agencies.

Theme of the exhibit is "Get a War Job and Stay on Your Job to Finish the Job." All major war industries, military and Naval installations in the San Diego area will present exhibits in connection with the displays of captured aircraft and materiel, and employment recruiting booths will be maintained by the United States Employment Service, the War Manpower commission and the Civil Service commission.

Next Collection Of Waste Paper To Be On Feb. 15th

Next collection of waste paper in Postal Zone 7, the Ocean Beach district, will be on Monday, Feb. 5, officials of the Civilian Defense Council's war salvage committee announced this week.

L. M. Nichols, co-chairman of the committee announced that 10,000 San Diego householders have signed petitions to save at least 10 pounds of paper per month for three months "in order to do their part in speeding the war effort." The petitions have been taken from house to house by the Boy Scouts, who have been designated the No. 1 beneficiary of the drive.

PERSONALS..

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Shoemaker of Missoula, Mont., are expected to arrive Sat. in San Diego and Ocean Beach for a winter's sojourn. They will visit his brothers, Jack Shoemaker, at 2022 Abbott St., and E. K. Shoemaker, at 5063 Newport Ave. and their daughter, Nan, who is living in town. Theodore Shoemaker recently retired from 35 years of service with the U. S. Forest Service in Montana. Previous to retirement he was supervisor of the federal forests in Montana.

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Mrs. W. H. Good of Salt Lake City, Utah is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Davis of 2222 Froude St. Mrs. Good came to Ocean Beach particularly to see her husband, Petty Officer 1/c W. H. Good, who is stationed at the San Diego naval base for the time being.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milton of 4646 Saratoga Ave., are leaving Thursday for Van Nuys, Calif., for a vacation visit with friends. They plan also to visit friends in Los Angeles before returning home.

Sgt. DeMack Praised For Service With Army Engineers

Headquarters, AAF Engineer Command in Italy—Technical Sgt. Frank B. DeMack of 1763 Ocean Front, Ocean Beach, Calif., has completed two years of overseas service with the aviation engineers in the Mediterranean theatre of operations.

Assigned to a general purpose aviation engineer company which landed in North Africa early in the Tunisian campaign, the members of the unit were surveyors, draftsmen, printers and camoufleurs. In 12 months spent in Africa, the small unit was responsible for the printing of all target charts and maps used by Allied air forces in the Tunisian campaign, in the bombing preliminary to invasions of Sicily and Italy, and in the early sensational attacks on Rome, Foggia, Brenner Pass and the Ploesti oilfields.

Moving to Italy, they took over a bigger job—manning the headquarters of the newly-formed AAF Engineer Command, the first consolidated command of aviation engineers in military history. Men who had before been camoufleurs and printers became clerks and typists. That the headquarters which planned and directed the construction of all Allied airfields in Italy, Corsica, Sardinia and Southern France was set up quickly and efficiently is a tribute to the ready adaptability ot these men. They prepared hundreds of airfield designs, thousands of pages of airfield data, plus the mountains of reports which are necessary in Army administration.

Ocean Beach Camp & Hospital

By ONA E. PITCOCK

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Don't throw away your Christmas cards, wrappings or ribbons. Instead. bring them to Camp and Hospital.,

Last week we had 33 dozen cookies, one dozen French pastries, (donated by Mrs. H. B. Brewer) and one beautiful birthday cake (donated by Mrs. Shaw.) The hospital had a special party and they report the cookies and cakes were much enjoyed. The cake had white and chocolate frosting and we put on pink candles.

Do hope more of you Ocean Beach women will bake cookies. It is hard sometimes to make sugar and shortening go far enough but if that is the reason you do not bake, let me know and I will see if I can help. We who have smaller families will divide with you who have larger families so that we can bring a bit of cheer to our sick and wounded.

If you have read your Christmas books or have books you will donate please bring them in. We have many hospitals in outlying districts that need books. Any canes or crutches you have also are needed. If you are eligible to donate blood please go to the Blood Donor center at 446 W. Beech St., and give your blood to save a life. It is the Red Cross who helps your loved ones on the battle fronts, so please do your part in helping the Red Cross because you are the Red Cross.

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Tuesday evening, 7:30, Training for Service.

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Trinity Episcopal
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Sunday—
7:45 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10:00 a.m.—Children's Eucharist.
11:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist (first Sunday).
6:30 p.m.—Young People's league.
Monday, 3:30 p.m. — Church school.
Wednesday—
9:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
Saturday, 9 a.m. — Church and praise service.

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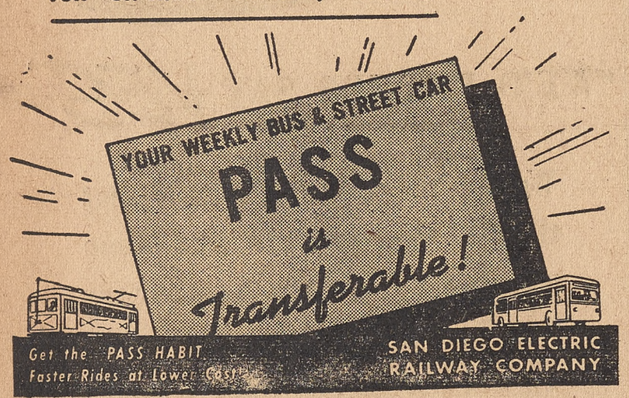

SEA BREEZES

Let's Laff

Maybe Think

The Scotchman awoke one morning to find that his wife had passed away during the night. He leaped from his bed ran out in the hall and called downstairs to the cook. "Mary, come to the foot of the stairs. quick."

"What is it?" she cried.

"Don't boil but one egg for breakfast." said the Scotchman.

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Howdy Folks—Women in Russia carry rifles. In this country they're just as dangerous, only they write diaries.

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Definition

Average Patriot: One who hopes we can win the war without any personal unpleasantness to him.

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The man with the grievances, the man who feels that he is never appreciated or understood, the man who has always been done wrong by somebody, is an unmitigated nuisance whose feelings should be ignored until they become as tough as other people's. —Kiwanis Magazine.

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Police Chief: "What! You mean to say this fellow choked a woman to death in a cabaret in front of 200 people and nobody intefered?"

Cap: "Yes, chief. Everybody thought they were dancing."

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Many a man has stopped calling his wife "the little woman" after taking a good look at her in slacks.—Escondido Times Advocate.

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You wouldn't worry much about what people may think of you if you knew how seldom they think.

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One way to reduce the cost of living is to move into a neighborhood where people don't buy things you can't afford.

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DEFINITION

Counter — Irritant: Someone who shops all day and doesn't buy anything.

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DREAM AGAIN

When your dreams have failed you—Dream again . . When you think you're beaten — Dream again . . Failure cannot break your heart—Life's a game, so play a part—Dare to make another start. . . Dream again.

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GOOD INVESTMENT

A wise husband will buy his wife such fine ch'na she won't trus' him to wash the dishes.

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The classification officer was interviewing a recruit. "We want to place you where you are best fitted. What were you in civilian life?"

"I was a bill collector," replied the recruit.

"Fine, fine, we'll make you a bugler."

"How do you figure that?"

'Why,' explained the officer, 'you're used to having people hate you.'

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A lady was observed passing through the hotel lobby several times. Finally a polite sailor stepped up to her asking, 'Pardon me, but are you looking for a particular person?'

'I'm satisfied,' she replied, 'if you are.'

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Father: "Son, fetch the old horse."

Son: 'Why the old one, father?'

Father: 'My motto is: Wear out the old one first.'

Son: 'Then you fetch the horse, father.'

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Mrs. Jones was spending a day in bed with a severe cough and her husband was working in the back yard, and hammering nails into some boards. Presently, his neighbor came over.

"How's the wife?" he asked.

"Not very well," replied Jones.

"Is that her coughin'?"

"No, you fathead, it's a henhouse."

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A Chicago businessman, a great believer in efficiency hung a sign in his office which said: "Do It Now."

Within 24 hours, the cashier had bolted with the contents of the safe, his stenographer had eloped with his eldest son, and the office boy had thrown the ink bottle in the fan.

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Boy—Life was just one big desert until I met you.

Girl—Is that why you dance like a camel?

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Doc: "Have you told Mr. Brown that he's the father of twins?"

Nurse: "Not yet. He's shaving."

USO News . . .

(By Mrs. Georgia Brock)

Several new hostesses have been added to the staff. New activities are being planned for the coming year and will be in the offing in the near future. It is hoped to make the new programs more attractive and to draw more and more servicemen and women to the clubrooms.

A dance will be given Saturday evening, Jan. 13 at 8 o'clock. Thiele's orchestra will furnish the music. The program committee states that a dance will be given on the second Saturday of every month.

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School officers were chosen at the student assembly on Tuesday to serve during the spring quarter. The officers named are: Teddy Wagner, president; Lee Ann Woodland, vice-president and Barbara Putney, secretary.

The list of new "safeties" includes: Richard Halstead, Ralph McKay, Ardith Cowan, Cherie Cannes, Johnny Isbell, Marcia Cunningham, Naomi Staggs, Lorrie Mallory, Jeanne Lilley, Earl Williams, Marjorie Jackson, Dyonis Dyer, Jack Legate, Lee Noorda, June Reeves, Larry King, Carol Smith, Charles Boeh and Jim Hallstrom.

The new team captains are as follows: Boy's teams, Wallace Skinner, Bill Botterbush, Rockwell Wright, Ernest Addison, Jimmy Bass, Perry Wyman, Paul Nelson, Billy Adams, Paul Schaffer and William Maggiora, chairman.

Captains, Girls' teams, Lillian Parks; Louise Drake, Donna Miller, Nancy Abbey, JoAnne Bnraes, Caroyln Bell, Sue Overdeer, Patsy Stanzione, Susie Wight and Dianne Flickinger.

The Fifth-Sixth grade room has begun the study of lumbering. Many pictures of trees have been painted by the children. Louise Drake has been elected secretary for this room.

New hosts and hostesses for the school cafeteria and lunch arbor were recently appointed. They are Charles Cooper, Beverly Mason, Elaine Sizemore, Bonnie Jean Ballew, Roy Fowler and Don Griffith.

The boys and girls in the third grade, room three, have found that poetry is fun. Favorite poems were brought to school from home collections. Old familiar poems were received and new poems were found in readers, library books, and anthologies. Many of these poems have been typed for classroom reading.

The children are keeping a record of the number of poems learned, and a poetry program was prepared by which poems were shared with other rooms. The "speakers" on the programs were: Elaine Sommermeyer, Granville Bowman, George Mitrovich, Doris Blanchard, Jane Partch, Beverly Ann Beauclair, Bruce Whedon, Marvin Amich, Mary Lou Baird, Wallace Blair, Phyllis Jacobs, Sally Stone, Billy Russell, Reita Blair, Sandra Smith and Janet Helbig.

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George Moriarty s To Observe Golden Wedding Jan. 14th

Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. George Moriarty of 4638 Alhambra St., Sunset Cliffs, will hold open house on Sunday, January 14 from 3 to 6 o'clock. No cards are being sent and friends are asked to regard this as an invitation to call.

The marriage of Miss Vannie Allen and George Albert Moriarty took place in Newark, Ohio on January 12, 1895. The service was read in the parsonage of the Presbyterian Church by Rev. Frank Grandstaff in the presence of the immediate families.

They were the parents of six children of whom two survive, Mrs. Harley Franklin Smart of the Moriarty home and Mrs. Carson McAlpin DeLon of Westport, Conn. There are four grandchildren, Naomi Smart and Elaine, Doris and June DeLon.

Although Mrs. Moriarty was born in Johnstown, Ohio and Mr. Moriarty in Connelsville, Penn., they called New England "home" as Mr Moriarty spent more than 30 years with the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. He was general mechanical superintendent when he retired in 1934 because of illness. Since then they have lived in San Diego. He is a member and past president of the New England Railroad club, a member of the New York Railroad club, Ocean Beach Kiwanis club, St. Johns Lodge F. & A. M. of Providence R. I., K. of P. and Royal Arcanum of Newark, Ohio.

A family dinner will be served in the home on Friday evening, January 12. Covers will be laid for Mr. and Mrs. Moriarty, Lt. Commander and Mrs. Harley Smart and daughter Naomi, Mrs. Carson DeLon; Mrs. Moriarty's sister, Miss Helen Allen, and her niece and nephew, Mrs. J. T. Warder of Winslow, Ariz. and George Oeken of Ashland, Ohio.

Mr. Moriarty is 73 and his wife 69.

EVELYN HARRIS BECOMES BRIDE OF DWIGHT PATON OF CONVAIR TRAVELING STAFF

Evelyn M. Harris, daughter of Mrs. Kohr Harris of 3121 Saratoga Ave., is now Mrs. J. Dwight Paton, having been married in Yuma, Ariz. Wednesday, Dec. 30 to Mr. Paton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Paton of Winfield, Kan Following the marriage, the couple were on a honeymoon trip to Phoenix, Ariz.

The bride, who also is a granddaughter of Mrs. Frank M. Kohr of San Diego, graduated from San Diego high school and recently has been employed as an office assistant to Dr. B. B. Kellogg, the dentist who had an office for several months the past year in the Kraft building. She was born and raised in San Diego and following her high school graduation worked for Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. for three years.

Mr. Paton has a traveling position with the Flight Service of the same company, which takes him to airports in various parts of the United States. The plan is for her to accompany him on these various trips.

Regular Check Of Battery Is Important Says Auto Club

To avoid starting trouble for the next few cold months, batteries should be checked about once every two weeks, recommends the emergency service department of the Automobile Club of Southern California, which reports that the most frequent source of winter trouble to motorists is battery failule.

The present scarcity of rental as well as new batteries ranks a battery failure as a serious breakdown. A regular check of battery water and specific gravity reading, even if the car is driven only occasionally, will help slow-starting engines.

Correct starting with the gears in neutral and the clutch pedal held down will ease the strain on the battery. An additional precaution to be taken if the car is laid up for some time is to put the battery on a re-charging line.

OCEAN BEACH SUPPLY OPEN AGAIN FOLLOWING REMODELING INTERIOR

Ocean Beach Supply Co. store at 5005 Newport Ave. early this month completed remodeling of the interior, including painting of the floor and changing of partitions to facilitate the use of the repair and painting shop department and the display room. The changes also were made to make room for new lines of business the firm has in mind for the near fcture, and to take care of considerable increase of business in the short time since the firm took over in March 1944.

BAPTIST LADIES HONOR MRS. ANNIE PARCELLS AT WORK MEETING TUESDAY

A group of ladies of the Ocean Beach Baptist church met Tuesday, both forenon and afternoon, at the church for sessions of quilting. At their pot luck luncheon, served at noon, gracing the table was a birthday cake, made and iced by Miss Cleo Marie Close of 1803 Capistrano St. The honoree was Mrs. Annie Parcells of 2076 Bacon St., who, as one of her friends described her Wednesday, "is one of those fortunate women who really knows how to grow old gracefully."

Trio Of Local Women To Attend District Meeting

(By Mrs. Myrtle Orrick)
Dec. 28, 1944

Dear Mrs. Orrick:

"Just wanted to thank you for the lovely Christmas package I received through your efforts. I am sure you would want to know that someone appreciates a gesture like that and all the efforts of organizations such as yours. Makes it easier for those of us so far from home."

Sincerely,
F. P. Chiavetta,
Ensign U.S.N.R.

The foregoing letter received by the president of Clyde A. Wright Unit 433, American Legion Auxiliary, represents the feelings of the thousands of hospitalized service personel, whom you have helped with your donations of either Christmas boxes or individual boxes. It is so gratifying to receive a letter expressing their thanks because we then feel that our efforts have not been in vain.

Our Unit also gave $15 for a book of 48 double faced records for our fighting men. None of this rehabilitation work could be done were it not for the generous donations of the people of Ocean Beach during our American Legion poppy sale.

Anna Neujahr, historian, Myrtle Orrick, president, and Doris Orrick, secretary-treasurer, will represent the Unit at our 22nd district meeting Sunday, January 14, in Brawley, Calif. A special bus will leave Broadway and First Ave., at 6:30 a. m. California Department officers will be guests of the day and will bring us their inspiring messages.

Happy New Year to all and may we continue to work together for a greater service to our wounded and battle-weary men and their families.

Maj. Ellsworth Devon of 4456 Cape May Ave., is among members of the staff of the 23rd General hospital who helped create that unit's fame as one of the outstanding hospitals in Italy and who now are at work in eastern France, rapidly building a reputation of the same kind on a new front. In 10 months' operation near Naples, the 23rd was able to take care of 29,362 patients—thousands more than any other general hospital in Italy.

Mrs. Cecilia G. Durning, formerly of Ocean Beach, and now of Hudson, Wis., writes The News renewing her subscription and stating that "I enjoy The News a lot. Look for it every week."

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Royal Neighbors To Install Their Officers Jan. 19th

Ann Cordingly Camp No. 10,665 of the Royal Neighbors of America nave arranged to hold their installation of officers for the new year on Friday evening, Jan. 19, at 8 o'clock, in the Woman's clubhouse, 2160 Bacon Street.

Enid Markham of Enid Camp, San Diego, the San Diego county district deputy, has been obtained for installing officer and will induct the officers, election of whom took place at the December meeting. This meeting will be open to the public, announce the officers, and a cordial invitation is extended to all interested.

Florence Danner will be installing marshal and Ella Dawson installing chancellor. The list of officers to be installed follows:

Oracle, Grace Rippee; Vice Oracle, Mary Fold; Past Oracle, Minnie Kidwell; Chancellor, Pearl Strothers; Recorder, June Stevens; Receiver, Vera Hall; Marshal, Florence Danner; Ass't. Marshal, Stella Schaefer; Inner Sentinel, Christina Bineu; Outer Sentinel, Dolores Brame; Manager, Mabel Haas; Musician, Lillain Dodds.

'Graces'—'Faith'—Veda Moss.
'Courage'—Margaret Fail.
'Modesty'—Grace Jacks.
'Unselfishness'—Lillie Pearl Schmidt.
'Endurance'—Katherine Phillips.
'Flag Bearer'—Jeane Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dewhurst of 3558 Meade St., formerly of Ocean Beach, entertained at a dinner party at the El Pico Dining Room in Old Town Saturday evening in honor of WAVE Alice C. Munchiando, who had come home to Ocean Beach from San Francisco on a brief leave. Other guests at the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. A. Munchiando and Mrs. O. M. Ward Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Zinz of Monterey Park, Calif. were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Herreman and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holman on Froude St. Mrs. Zinz is a sister of Mrs. Herreman and an aunt of Mrs. Holman.

MR. AND MRS. J. P. FROIDE ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT OF MARTHA TO D. L. SPENCER

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Froide of 4376 Coronado Ave. this week announced the engagement of their daughter Martha I. Froide, to Donald L. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Spencer of Santa Cruz, Calif., the date of the wedding to be set later.

Miss Froide practically grew up in Ocean Beach, having been only 1½ years old when she came with her parents here from Missouri. She attended all the Ocean Beach public schools and graduated from Point Loma high school. Since she has been employed in various capacities.

Mr. Spencer was recently given an honorable discharge from five years of service with the U. S. Marine Corps. He is a graduate of Santa Cruz high school.

KIWANNIANNES WILL MEET TUESDAY EVENING AT MRS. JOHN W. WILHOIT'S HOME

The Kiwanniannes will meet Tuesday, Jan. 16, at the home of Mrs. John W. Wilhoit, 4468 Osprey St., at 6:30 o'clock. Assisting the hostess will be Mrs. H. H. Hartvigsen, Mrs W. B. Oster and Mrs Roy Milton. Officers are to be elected. Every member who aims to attend is asked to telephone Mrs. Henry Holman, the group president, at Bayview 5344.

O. E. S. To Meet On January 15th

Point Loma Chapter 490, O.E.S., will meet at 8:00 p. m. Monday, Jan. 15 in the Masonic hall on Newport Ave., with Agnes Driskill, worthy matron and William Kidwell, worthy patron, presiding. There will be renewal of obligations and balloting on petitions for membership. Grace Mayers, as chairman, will head the committee. All visiting and local members are invited.—M.A.P.

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Woodbury Soap, 3 bars 24c
Burnett's Vanilla, 1 oz. 17c; 2 oz.....30c
Little Duchess Bluing, 2 pkgs.....15c
Figco, 1 lb. 25c
Club Aluminum Cleaner, 12 oz. 17c

RINSO ..... lg pkg 23c
LUX Flakes lg pkg 23c
LIFEBUOY HEALTH SOAP ..... 3 bars 20c
LUX TOILET SOAP ..... 3 bars 20c
SWAN, Medium .....6c Large.....10c
SPRY, 1 lb.....24c 3 lbs. 69c
Karo Syrup, Blue Label, 1½ lb. glass 14c
Cinch Waffle Mix, 16 oz, ...23c
Lea & Perrins Wor. Sauce, 5 oz. 29c
10 oz. 49c
Kingsford Corn Starch, 1 lb. 8c
Old Dutch Cleanser, 3 cans 21c
Cutrite Wax Paper, 125 ft.....15c
Dixie Fry, 8 oz.....13c
Pillsbury Flour, 5 lbs.....31c 10 lbs.....59c
Sno Sheen Cake Flour, 2¾ lb.....25c
Cream of Rice Cereal, 18 oz.....21c

Gold Medal Paste Goods, 1 lb. 14c
2 lbs. 24c
Libby Deviled Meat, ¼ can 6c
Libby's Tiny Peas, No. 2 can.....16c
Libby Baby Foods, 4½ oz. 2 for.....15c
Sunshine Sugar and Honey Grahams
1 lb.....18c 2 lb.....30c
Martinelli Cider, qts. 23c
MCP Pectin, 3 oz. pkgs., 3 for.....25c
Oakite, 1000 uses 10c
Parson's Ammonia, 10 oz.....7c; 32 oz. 18c
Brer Rabbit Molasses, Gold, 16 oz.....23c
Green, 16 oz. 19c
Aunt Dinah Molasses, 16 oz. 12c
Drifted Snow Flour, 5 lbs.....30c
10 lbs.....57c 25 lbs.....$1.31
Softasilk Cake Flour, 44 oz.....25c
Pard Dog Food 10c
Milani's 1890 French Dressing 8 oz.....29c
Chase & Sanborn Coffee, now in glass
2 lbs.....62c 1 lb.....32c
Fleischmann's Yeast, 3 cakes 10c
Schillings Seasoning Salts (Onion, Savor, Garlic, Celery) 2 for 25c